

ALL THE NEWS OF THE RAILROADS NEWS OF STEELTON

POWER PLANT ON OLD CANAL BED

Part of Electrification Plan at Altoona and Vicinity; Engineer Busy

Altoona, Pa., Feb. 10. — It is reported here that the Pennsylvania Railroad contemplates rebuilding the breast of the old Pennsylvania Canal reservoir, south of Hollidaysburg, to manufacture electricity when the electrification project planned for Altoona is undertaken. This is also part of plans announced yesterday from Johnstown.

Since the break in the breast, in 1882, the site has been leased to farmers. The old reservoir was built in 1839 to feed the Pennsylvania Canal.

It is known that railroad engineers have been engaged for some time working out the possible amount of electricity that could be generated by the breast of the Juniata which flows through the old basin, and that they have been able to arrive at fairly accurate conclusions.

The Pennsylvania Canal is also reported, has planned a spur to be built from Altoona to the Bedford division, as an outlet for the Somerset coal fields. The idea is to relieve the Pittsburgh division of some of the traffic now coming from Somerset county, eliminate the heavy haul over the mountain and divert certain through traffic to the Hollidaysburg yards instead of bringing it through Altoona.

Railroad Notes

General Secretary Frank H. Gregory of the P. R. Y. M. C. A. will lead the Sunday afternoon meeting to-morrow, starting at 3:30. He was still further improving in health today and able to be out.

Superintendent W. F. Eckert, of the Reading division, Division Engineer J. C. Wrenshall and Division Freight Agent E. D. Hildebrand of Harrisburg, are making a tour of the lines in western Schuylkill district.

Signal and wire improvements on the Atlantic division of the Reading Railway system, is planned. The Hall signals for the Shamokin division which have been delayed will be in service within two weeks.

Reading railway officials deny that 12 engines were recently condemned at Tamaqua. Minor troubles were reported and the engines were sent to shops for necessary repairs. A daily inventory of engines and conditions is reported to motive power officials.

John L. Gross, former freight agent for the Pennsylvania Railroad at York, is in Harrisburg looking after railroad legislation.

At the meeting for boys at the P. R. Y. M. C. A. last night, a total attendance of 178 was reported. The girls in the afternoon showed an attendance of 12. Parents and adults are invited to attend these meetings.

Employees to the number of 55 attended yesterday's noon meeting at the P. R. Y. M. C. A.

The local Gospel Crew of the P. R. Y. M. C. A. will conduct meetings at the United Evangelical Church, at Danville, to-morrow morning, afternoon and evening. The crew includes Ira P. Dean, H. W. Hoover, Harvey Buck, George Rost and Ada McGivier.

Engineer George E. Brigges, of the Middle division of the Pennsylvania Railroad, who has been on the sick list, is improving and is expected to report for duty to-day.

Conductor Harry W. Shaub, 218 Reily street, continues to improve. His many friends are hoping for his speedy recovery.

Chairman Isaiah J. Reese, in charge of arrangements for the annual anniversary entertainment of Assembly No. 4, Mutual Beneficial Association of Pennsylvania Railroad Employees, will call a meeting for next week.

Reorganization plans for the Western Maryland Railroad will be effective March 1. Merger plans were completed yesterday by the Baltimore and Harrisburg Railway Company at York. All branches become part of the Western Maryland.

Standing of the Crews

HARRISBURG SIDE Philadelphia Division — 125 crew to go first after 4 p. m.: 119, 101, 127, 128, 114, 111.

Firemen for 125, 128, 114, Flagmen for 125, 127, Brakeman for 112, Engineers up: Simmons, Grass, Brodacher, Dolby, Binkley, Bruebaker, Martin, Downs.

Firemen up: Newhouser, Strickler, Bart, Mirey, Peters, Campbell, Latz, Kugle, Zoll, Byrneser, Shandler, Swartz, Brown, Eckrich, Ryer, Herman, Detrickman up.

Conductor up: Smedley, Flagman up: Quentzier, Engineers for 27, crew to go first after 1.45 p. m.: 224, 205, 230, 204, 250, 238, 248, 251, 216.

Seven Altoona crews to come in: 20, 17, 25, 27, 28, Preference for 20, Engineer for 20, Fireman for 20, Flagmen for 5, 27.

Engineers up: Bowers, Peighal, Buckwalter, Dorman, T. W. Cook, H. G. Nickles, Mumer, Peters, Asper, Firemen up: Orr, Sellers, Steele, Killeffer, Newhouser, Peters, L. A. Gross.

Flagman up: Shutt, Brakemen up: Schmidt, Yost, Yohn, Brakemen up: Humphreys, L. R. Sweger, Farleman, Huber, Wise.

YARD CREWS HARRISBURG Engineers up: Cless, Ewing, Starnor, Morrison, Monroe, Beatty, Pease, Knutz, Wagner, Shado, McCord, McClellan, McDonnell, Runkle, Wise, Watts.

Firemen up: Hardy, Wilhelm, Walters, Bruaw, Zeigler, Vuchity, Roden, Hafer, Black, Smith, Dunbar, Shoemaker.

ENOLA SIDE Philadelphia Division — 244 crew to go first after 3.45 p. m.: 201, 220, 237, 206, 208, 213, 217, 220, 237, Firemen for 237, 208, Brakemen for 06, 20, Conductor up: Murlatt, Engineers up: Miller, Middle Division — 233 crew to go first after 2.30 p. m.: 228, 219, 221, 227, 218, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000.

YARD CREWS ENOLA Engineers up: Hill, Boyer, Anslinger, Firemen up: Haubert, Hinkle, Brown, Books, Rice, M. S. Hall, L. C. Hager, Heibergner, Myers, Engineers for 2nd 108, 2nd 126, 122, 2nd 126, 1st 102, 110.

READING EMPLOYEES BANQUET Employees of the office of I. A. Seiders, superintendent of motive power and rolling equipment of the Reading Railway, held their first annual banquet at the Lebanon Valley House, Wernersville, last night. Those present included J. I. Best, J. J. Weightman, H. T. Snyder, C. F. Straub, L. P. Moll, G. A. Hoyer, A. P. Schartzel, G. M. Erhard, D. A. Dease, T. F. Beyler, H. B. Snader, C. Clayton, H. H. Klieck, R. Littlehales, L. B. Reinger, A. M. Hawman, F. A. Schweitzer, G. W. Leightner, G. H. Walborn, W. Lewis, G. A. Miller, G. C. Barrett, E. R. Yost, H. W. Miller, G. E. Tiley, H. C. Petteiger, C. W. Weidenhanmer, E. Boyer, R. S. Heckman, R. W. Becker and G. C. Frezeman.

The Reading Railway Company will add fifty trucks at Marcus Hook to take care of increased freight business and shipbuilding traffic.

RAILROADS READY FOR WAR TRAFFIC

Officials to Give United States Government Every Advantage Possible

Railroad officials in Harrisburg are ready to meet promptly every requirement of the United States Government in the event of war. Both the Pennsylvania Railroad, and Reading Railway are ready to handle cars, move troops, ship munitions and take care of all government business. This information came to-day.

Complete plans have not been officially announced. It is understood that on both the Pennsylvania and Reading systems, Government business will be given preference. In Harrisburg, at Rutherford, Enola, Marysville and other classification yards, tracks will be cleared for storing freight cars and equipment as need requires.

To Take Care of Industries Local industries having government contracts will be given every shipping advantage followed. The main object, according to an official yesterday, is to avoid any delays in handling business for the United States government.

General Superintendent G. W. Creighton, of the Eastern Division of the Pennsylvania Railroad has been in consultation with his superintendents, and is thoroughly acquainted with all conditions. On the Reading inspections of various terminals, yards, shops and roundhouses have been made and it is said that within another week the Government will be informed as to facilities, including the number of available cars, engines, freight hands, etc.

READING HAS COSTLY BLAZE Philadelphia, Feb. 10.—A high wind blowing over the river probably prevented ten cars of ammunition and other explosives consigned to the Allies from exploding last night, when flames swept four buildings in the Philadelphia and Reading freight yards at Port Richmond, causing a loss of \$50,000. The cars containing the explosives are under heavy guard and the contents of scores of others are being moved to the piers and an effort to move the cars would have been made had the wind changed.

Ten cars of coal were damaged and the contents of scores of others endangered during the blaze. Locomotives moved the trains from the danger zone.

ARTILLERY EN ROUTE EAST

Four trains carrying the Second Pennsylvania Artillery, en route from El Paso to Philadelphia, came over the Reading this afternoon. The first train left Hagerstown at 10:30 this morning and was scheduled to arrive at Rutherford at 2 o'clock. The trains are running one hour apart. The trains were run over the Western Maryland railroad to Philadelphia, Harrisburg and Pittsburgh Junction of the Reading and from there to Rutherford.

Pythians to Celebrate Fifty-Third Anniversary

All lodges of the order of Knights of Pythias throughout the Supreme Domain are holding appropriate exercises in connection with the fifty-third anniversary of the founding of the order of Knights of Pythias, which was founded at Washington, D. C., February 18, 1864.

A committee of Knights, headed by M. H. Baker as chairman, is arranging the program of entertainment and refreshments for Enterprise Lodge, No. 508, this city, which will be held in the lodge room, Second and Walnut streets, Monday evening, February 19, for members of the order only.

The members will hear a talk on "Pythianism" by Past Grand Chancellor and Supreme Representative H. A. Thompson, of Tyrone.

PHILADELPHIAN TO SPEAK

Special services will be held to-night and to-morrow night in Salvation Army Hall, 1518 North 2nd street, Captain and Mrs. Patrick Neilan will be in charge. Major Campbell, of Philadelphia, will speak in the morning. Tomorrow morning he will speak at Westminster Presbyterian Church, Reily and Green streets. Sunday school will be held at 3 o'clock.

NEGRO'S MOTHER SAID BOY WHO KILLED OFFICER IS IRRATIONAL

Carlisle, Pa., Feb. 10.—With the calling of two physicians, Dr. M. M. Dougherty, of Mechanicsburg, and Dr. J. C. Davis, of Carlisle, who testified that in their opinion Archie Miller, charged with the murder of J. L. Beisser, was sane when he committed the crime, the Commonwealth closed its case just before noon to-day. The charge by the court was made after the noon recess an da verdict is expected late this afternoon.

The attorneys for the defense, basing their case solely on the claim that Miller was mentally unsound, and should be confined in an institution rather than executed for his crime, closed their case late yesterday. Miller was not called in his own defense.

Mrs. Miller, mother of the defendant, was on the stand several hours yesterday afternoon. She told of many acts which showed her son to be mentally unbalanced, as she claimed. He tried to bite her, attempted to burn a brother to death by setting fire to his bedclothes, succeeded in drowning a companion with whom he was rowing and committed many other acts of a mental unsoundness. The grandfather and father of Miller were said to be white men who were also insane. There are 13 children, two of whom in addition to Archie, are insane, the mother said.

"GUN SHY" DOG BEATS HASTY RETREAT TO COVER AT SHOT

Twelve citizens of Dauphin county, if they go on hunting trips this fall, will probably know much more about hunting dogs than they did last year. The twelve men were the jurors in a false pretense case, based on whether or not a certain "houn' dawg" was "gun shy."

Peter D. Petric, prosecutor, brought the charge that he bought a hunting dog from William J. Lutz, of Middle-town, Pa., to be used as the "gun shy" dog was supposed to be a good "trailer" and not "gun shy."

He then brought witnesses, who testified that twice when guns were fired by the men who were hunting Petric's dog with a yelp started up over the mountain in wild retreat, and the second time could not be found for several days.

Two or three dog experts, friends of Petric's, told all about "gun shy" hounds and raising dogs. The jury returned a verdict of not guilty and directed Petric to pay the costs, President Judge George Kunkel said the case was in the wrong court.

MANY TEACHERS ATTEND MEETING

Institute Held in Borough High School Attended by Nearly 300 Teachers

Nearly 300 teachers, principals and superintendents of the public schools of 19 districts, from the entire lower district of the county convened in the first Lower Dauphin District Institute in the High school building to-day. Sessions were held this morning and afternoon.

At the preliminary meeting the devotional exercises were in charge of the Rev. William Sanderson, pastor of the local Methodist Church. G. B. Garver, principal of the Middletown High school was elected secretary of the meeting.

Three section meetings were held during the morning. The grammar and High school meeting was presided over by W. A. Geesey, principal of the Middletown High school. Charles Loebe, principal of the Lock Haven State Normal school addressed this meeting on "English in the Public Schools."

Mrs. J. Esters, principal of the Derry Township school presided over the meeting addressed by Miss Lillian Johnson, supervisor of model school work at the Millersville State Normal school. The Rural School Program, was the subject of the talk by E. M. Rapp, superintendent of Berks county schools. F. E. Shambaugh, superintendent of the schools of Dauphin county presided at this meeting.

A joint meeting of the teachers was held this afternoon. Prof. W. M. Harclerode, supervisor of music in the borough schools had charge of the music. Miss Johnson spoke on "Creating a Taste"; Superintendent Lapp on "The School of To-morrow" and Principal Loebe, "The Modern Public School."

FLAG BLESSING

St. Joseph Society of the St. Mary's Catholic Church were in charge of special services to-day which marked the blessing of \$400, a parade was held this morning and Croation hall visited at American. A parade was held this morning and Croation hall visited at American. A parade was held this morning and Croation hall visited at American.

HIGH SPIRE BAND BOOKINGS

The Highspire Band has booked the following engagements during the month of February: this evening, St. James' Church, Carlisle, 8 to 9 o'clock; 9 to 10, West End Fire Company; Monday and Tuesday evening, 19 and 20, German hall, Steelton; Thursday 22, Citizens' Fire Company, Highspire.

MEN'S MASS MEETING

Evangelist Williams will speak to men at Centenary United Brethren Church to-morrow afternoon on "The Square Deal for Men" to-morrow morning the Rev. A. K. Wier, pastor, of the church will baptize and take into the church twenty of the converts of the Rev. Williams' preaching on the "Unpardonable Sin."

PNEUMONIA VICTIM

Richard Schouyer, a southern negro, living at the local steel plant, died at the Harrisburg hospital yesterday from pneumonia. No arrangements have been made for the funeral.

TO SELECT BUILDING FOR DOMESTIC SCIENCE COURSE

A meeting of the school board committee appointed to make plans for an addition of domestic science in the borough schools next year, will be held the latter part of next week. The board is compelled to purchase a building for this department work.

Several dwellings are in view by the committee and it is probable that the committee will decide on a nearby site at this meeting. On the committee are W. W. Nell, W. F. Darby and G. S. Vickery.

STEELTON SNAPSHOTS

Minister Entertains.—The Rev. and Mrs. George N. Lauffer, entertained members of St. John's Lutheran Church, and their wives at the parsonage Thursday evening.

Concert by Cornet Band.—At a meeting last night the First Cornet Band made final arrangements for a concert to be given at the Steelton American office to-day that the notice of the paper will be seven columns, eight pages, instead of six columns, four pages.

Community Choir Meeting.—Miss Pearl Beidel will sing a solo as a special feature of the Community Choir meeting in the First Methodist Church, Sunday evening, February 12, at 7:30. Many members of fraternal organizations of the borough are expected to attend on invitations from the entertainment committee of the chorus.

Fortnightly Meeting.—A meeting of the Fortnightly Club will be held at the home of Miss Linnie A. Hess, 82 South Fourth street, Monday evening. Papers will be read by Mrs. Boyd, Mrs. Miller and Mrs. Hottenstein.

STEELTON CHURCHES

Main Street Church of God.—The Rev. G. W. Getz, pastor, will preach at 10:30 on "Palms Tree Christians" and at 7:30 on "Our Living Place;" Sunday school, 2; Junior Christian Endeavor, 6:30.

First Methodist.—The Rev. W. C. Sanderson, pastor, will preach at 10:30 and 7:30; Sunday school, 2; Epworth League, 6:30.

First Presbyterian.—The Rev. C. E. Segelken, pastor, will preach at 11 on "Not Ashamed of the Gospel" and at 7:30 on "The Fundamental Truths of Protestantism and Latin America;" Sunday school, 9:45; Christian Endeavor, 6:45.

Central Baptist.—The Rev. H. D. Germer, pastor, will preach at 10:30 and 7:30; Sunday school, 2; B. Y. P. U., 6:45.

Centenary United Brethren.—The Rev. O. E. Williams will preach at 10 and 7:30; Sunday school, 2; Christian Endeavor, 6:30; men's mass meeting, 3:30 to 6:45.

St. John's Lutheran.—The Rev. G. N. Lauffer, pastor, will preach at 10:45 on "Discipleship" and at 7:30 on "Famous Hymns;" Sunday school, 9:30; intermediate Christian Endeavor, 6:30.

Grace United Evangelical.—The Rev. J. M. Shoop, pastor, will preach at 10:30 and 7:30; Sunday school, 9:15; K. L. C. E., 8:45.

St. Peter's Lutheran, Highspire.—The Rev. Ernest L. Pee, pastor, will preach at 10 on "Full of Christ" and at 7:30 on "When Men Forget God;" Sunday school, 2:30; Christian Endeavor, 6:20.

Will Jennings Made Pike Peak Highway Officer

William Jennings, president of the William Penn Highway association, has been elected fourth vice-president of the Pike Peak Ocean to Ocean Highway, the transcontinental thoroughfare which has headquarters in Colorado Springs, Colo. C. F. Adams, of Chillicothe, Mo., is president of the Pike Peak road, and A. W. Henderson, of Colorado Springs, secretary.



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AUTOS SWELL THE STATE'S REVENUES

Total Receipts to Date Are Not So Far Behind the License Total For 1916

Pennsylvania's receipts from licenses for automobiles and other motor vehicles so far this year have aggregated \$1,625,000 which is more than \$425,000 more than received up to this time in 1916. The total receipts during last year were \$1,200,000 in round numbers.

Thus far there have been 136,500 pneumatic tired cars licensed and 10,350 solid tired machines or trucks. Last year there were 117,3